



**GLENDALE ELEMENTARY SCHOOL DISTRICT NO. 40**  
**4 YEAR TERM**  
**MARTIN SAMANIEGO**

My name is Martin Samaniego, and I am running for the GESD governing board because I am committed to serving our children and our community to ensure the best possible education for all children.

As board member, I will strive for quality education which our children deserve. I believe our children need strong schools to empower them to be tomorrow's leaders. Also, strong schools lead to a strong economy, therefore, I will strive for strong support for our teachers and staff.

I strongly believe in protecting our children while attending our schools, and in providing a safe, friendly environment where they can learn without fear of bullying, discrimination, or anything else that would hinder their education.

I will provide a voice for our parents and community, and ensure fiscal accountability throughout our schools.

I believe in an "open door" policy so that staff, teachers, and parents feel comfortable in bringing concerns, issues, opinions, complaints, or ideas to me at any time.

I will ensure that through the Superintendent, the board has responsibility for quality selection of instructional materials, and quality selection and retention of qualified teachers and staff.

I bring over 45 years of business experience both in the private and public sector. I am the founder and current chairman of the West Valley Foundation, founder of the Grand Canyon Supplier Development Council, former governing board member of Chicanos Por La Causa, Valley of the Sun YMCA, Valley of the Sun United Way, and the Friendly House.

I served as a Glendale City Council Member from 1996 - 2000, and served on the GESD board and President from 2008- 2010.

I served on the Super Bowl Committee as board member in 1996 and 2000.

I am a graduate of Fresno State University with a degree in business and education.

Thank you.